

# GAMBLERS POISONED JACK DEMPSEY TO MAKE FIGHT SURE THING, TATE SAYS

## Ex-Champ's Food Doped Before Tunney Battle, Says Sparring Partner

By ED SULLIVAN

"Jack Dempsey was doped just before the fight. That rash isn't anything he picked up from his sparring partner Carpenter. It is the poison working out of his system."

Big Bill Tate, Dempsey's chief sparring partner at Atlantic City, told me that today in commenting on Dempsey's defeat by Gene Tunney.

"Dempsey was drugged when he entered the ring," said Tate. "Worry didn't do it to him. Don't let them kid you about that. Did you see how he acted? He was in a daze from the time he reached his corner to the last round. That wasn't Dempsey in there that night. It was a beautiful fighting machine that had been knocked out of kilter by a wrench thrown into it by treacherous persons."

Tate was all steamed up over the fight.

"I know Dempsey better than any one knows him. I know what he is capable of. I know what he can do and what he can't do. I tell you he was drugged. They slipped a slug into his milk or they poisoned his food."

I told Dempsey what Tate had said:—

"Don't run it, Ed," he asked, "because it will look as though I'm trying to alibi."

"I know what was wrong with me that night, but if I say anything it looks as though I'm pulling a cry-baby act."

"Between you and me," said Tate, "if Dempsey can't fight better than he did that night, he doesn't need one doctor, but eight doctors."

### Tate Makes Charges

I asked Dempsey if he minded my using Tate's statement. I explained to him it wouldn't appear as though Dempsey himself were making the howl.

"Use your own judgment," said Dempsey.

Tate's insinuation was that gamblers had reached inside channels in Dempsey's camp and poisoned his food to make the fight a sure thing. They were afraid Dempsey actually would win.

This statement bears out one made immediately after the fight by Estelle Taylor, wife of the fallen king. This statement, sent out by the United Press, and given prominence in The GRAPHIC at the time, declared Estelle's belief that "something had been given" to her husband before the big battle.

### Explains Fiasco

If Tate is right, that would explain Dempsey's loginess in the ring, his inability to "untrack" himself, as he himself expressed it.

At no time during the fight did Dempsey seem to have complete control of himself.

He acted as though his mind was clouded.

That was explained by the worries which had assailed him, the process servers who had chased him right up to the time of the bell clanged for the first round.

Dissatisfaction with the result of the fight and the manner in which it was fought is widespread.

However, Tate is the first one definitely to express an opinion.

And his opinion is this:—

"Somebody slipped a powder into Dempsey's food right before the scrap."

It will be recalled that Estelle Taylor, Dempsey's wife, asserted her husband had been "doped" when she heard the result of the battle.

Perhaps it was intuition.

Perhaps she divined what Tate has now declared to be the actual explanation of the Battle of the Century.

## Boys Look to Tunney As Example, Says Cardinal Hayes

"The boys of America look up to you as an example, and I believe you will give it to them."

This was the message of Patrick Cardinal Hayes to Gene Tunney when the world's heavyweight champion visited the cardinal's residence, 51st Street and Madison Avenue.

"I understand it was your character as much as your physical prowess that enabled you to win," said Cardinal Hayes, and he complimented Tunney on the modesty which has characterized him since he became champion.

## Take Hold-Up Man After Fight for Fatal Shooting

Frank Parszik, 23, a laborer of 407 19th St., Brooklyn, was taken to Brooklyn police headquarters last night after being arrested in a house in The Bronx, which was surrounded by four patrolmen and sixteen detectives.

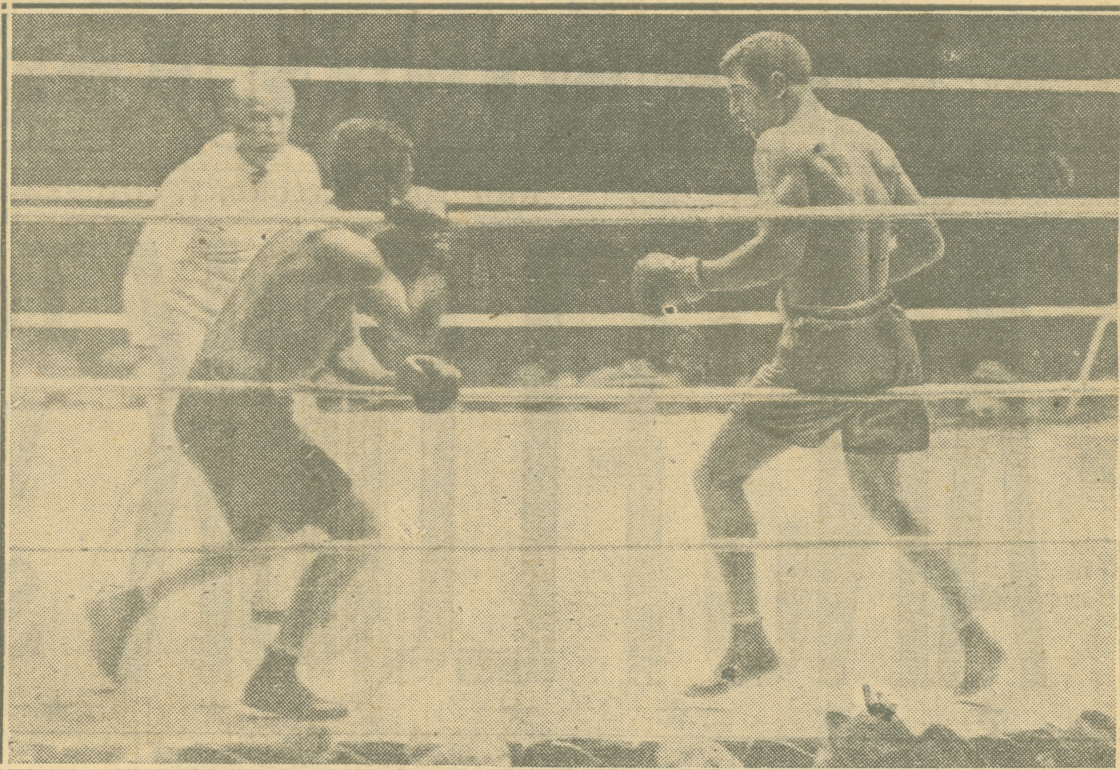
Parszik confessed, according to the police, to participating in a hold-up on September 18 when more than \$700 was taken in a raid on the plant of Mahoney & Bush, Brooklyn contractors. In the shooting which occurred between the two bandits and the firm heads, Michael Paulino, 11, of 339 Nevins St., was fatally wounded.

## Woman 'Dolls Up,' Leaps 19 Stories To Death at Hotel

CHICAGO, Oct. 2 (By U. P.).—Leaping from a window in her room on the twenty-second floor of the Hotel Sherman, Mrs. May H. Moore, 35, handsome matron of Keokuk, Ia., killed herself here today. Her body landed on the roof of the court, three stories above the ground.

Mrs. Moore was fully dressed, and apparently had spent some time in beautifying herself before ending her life. Her last act apparently had been to manicure her nails.

## When Dempsey Might Have Knocked Gene Out



ABOVE IS A PHOTO taken at the Dempsey-Tunney fight at Philadelphia. Tunney is on the ropes and Jack is standing over him as if ready to deliver the knockout wallop. It failed to come through, however, and Tunney rallied. Bill Tate, Dempsey's colored sparring partner, claims the ex-champ was drugged before he went into the ring, thus accounting for Dempsey's lack of power against Tunney.

## Goff Shields Daugherty In Passing Merton Claim

United States Senator Guy D. Goff of West Virginia assumed all responsibility for the share of the Department of Justice in allowing the \$7,000,000 American Metal Company alien property claim, he testified yesterday at the conspiracy trial of Harry M. Daugherty, formerly United States attorney general, and Thomas W. Miller, formerly alien property custodian. At the time its claim was granted Senator Goff was assistant to Attorney General Daugherty.

Senator Goff was the first witness called in defense of Mr. Daugherty.

The latter, Senator Goff said, had never been consulted on the claim, had never offered any suggestions, and, indeed, had never even discussed it with him until President Harding, in 1922, had asked for an "answer" to current criticism of the \$7,000,000 transaction.

Senator Goff's willingness to transfer the responsibility from Mr. Daugherty's shoulders to his

Guy D. Goff

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### NEWMARK—LAMBERT

Announcement has just been received of the coming marriage of Miss Gertrude Newmark of this city to William Lambert.

## Blazing Steamer Headed for Port, Fire Controlled

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 2 (By U. P.).—Fire is well under control aboard the burning steamship New Britain, twenty-five miles off Charleston Harbor, says a radio to the U. S. naval radio station here.

When the message was received the New Britain was approaching the breakwaters at slow speed and intended remaining in open water until daylight.

The United States naval tug Umpqua will meet the burning boat at daylight and offer any necessary assistance. Another tug owned by a towing firm will also go out to meet the steamship.

Fire tugs are standing by in Charleston harbor in readiness to render aid in an emergency. The coast guard cutter Seneca is still escorting the vessel.

No estimate of the extent of the damage done aboard the New Britain has yet been made.

## U. S. WON'T ENTER COURT UNDER GENEVA CONDITIONS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 (By U. P.).—The United States will refuse to enter the World Court under the conditions laid down by the Geneva conference of court signatories, President Coolidge having decided definitely that the Geneva proposals violate the spirit and letter of the Senate reservations.

## Rich Woman Shoots Self Mysteriously in Home

STAMFORD, CONN., Oct. 2.—Detectives today are investigating the mysterious circumstances concerning the probable fatal shooting of Mrs. C. W. Ten Broeck of New York.

It is believed that Mrs. Ten-Broeck shot herself. Members of her family and her husband, who is a New York business man, refused to discuss details of the shooting with reporters.

The bullet penetrated close to her heart. She was wounded in her home on Riverside Avenue, Riverside, and from there was taken to the Stamford Hospital. Her condition, according to physicians, has improved slightly today, although she is still in danger.

## THE WEATHER

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U. S. WEATHER FORECAST  
LOCAL—Clear and warmer; fresh south winds.  
EASTERN NEW YORK—Partly cloudy and warmer; probable showers in north; fresh southeast winds.